

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: Chair Mark Blasdel, on March 29, 2011 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 152 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Dick Barrett, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Mike Miller, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)
Rep. Kelly Flynn (R)
Rep. Alan Hale (R)
Rep. Brian Hoven (R)
Rep. Austin Knudsen (R)
Rep. Steve Lavin (R)
Rep. Sue Malek (D)
Rep. Mary McNally (D)
Rep. Jerry O'Neil (R)
Rep. Mike Phillips (D)
Rep. Lee Randall (R)
Rep. Wayne Stahl (R)
Rep. Janna Taylor (R)
Rep. Max Yates (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Mark Blasdel, Chairman (R)

Members Absent: Rep. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)
Rep. Kathleen Williams (D)

Staff Present: Lisa Adams, Committee Secretary
Jeff Martin, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 288, 3/26/2011; SB 333, 3/26/2011; SB 376, 3/26/2011

HEARING ON SB 376

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:15 Sen. Bob Lake (R), SD 44, opened the hearing on SB 376, Revise local government laws to expand maturity date limitations on investments.

00:01:36 Rep. Williams arrived.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:50 Harold Blattie, Executive Director, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

00:04:37 Jim Shockley, SD 45

00:04:54 Bob Vogel, Montana School Board Association (MTSBA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:05:33 Rep. Stahl

00:06:07 Mr. Blattie, MACo

00:06:17 Rep. McClafferty arrived.

00:06:26 Sen. Lake

00:06:49 Rep. Hoven

00:07:02 Sen. Lake

Closing by Sponsor:

00:07:31 Sen. Lake

HEARING ON SB 333

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:08:12 Sen. Jim Shockley (R), SD 45, opened the hearing on SB 333, Adopt Revisions to the Uniform Principle and Income Act.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:10:51 Ed Eck, Professor, School of Law, University of Montana

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00:12:46 Rep. Phillips left.

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:13:50 Sen. Shockley

00:14:15 Recessed
00:14:59 Resumed all present except Chairman Blasdel, Vice Chairman Miller, and Rep. Phillips.

HEARING ON SB 288

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:15:18 Sen. Kim Gillan (D), SD 24, opened the hearing on SB 288, Provide administrative appeal for special district assessments.

00:17:17 Vice Chairman Miller and Rep. Phillips arrived.

00:17:51 Rep. Randall left.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:18:16 Mr. Blattie, Executive Director, MACo

00:21:35 Nancy Schlepp, Montana Taxpayers Association

00:21:56 Alec Hansen, Executive Director, Montana League of Cities and Towns

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:22:56 Rep. O'Neil

00:23:28 Mr. Blattie

00:24:06 Rep. O'Neil

00:24:21 Mr. Blattie

Closing by Sponsor:

00:24:58 Sen. Gillan

00:26:18 Rep. Barrett

00:26:27 Rep. Stahl

00:26:43 Mr. Martin

ADJOURNMENT

00:27:10 Adjournment: 9:27 a.m.

Lisa Adams, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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